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RE: Cambridge Electric Light Company/Commonwealth Electric Company,
D.T.E. 98-16-A

Dear Mr. Lyne:

On August 13, 1999, Cambridge Electric Light Company and Commonwealth Electric Company (jointly, "the Companies") filed with the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department") a report on the savings from their 1998 program year Commercial & Industrial Integrated Resource Management energy efficiency programs ("Report"). On September 24, 1999, the Companies filed with the Department a letter requesting that the Department approve a performance incentive for the 1998 program year, based on an attached calculation, by December 31, 1999. The Companies indicated that they would not be able to complete their responses to Department information requests concerning details of measured energy savings calculations in time to meet the requested December 31, 1999 order date. On December 29, 1999, the Department allowed the Companies to collect their claimed incentives, subject to reconciliation for the portion related to measured energy savings D.T.E. 98-16, at 2 (Letter Order).

On January 6, 2000 and May 19, 2000, the Companies provided the requested details about measured energy savings calculations (Response to Information Request DTE 2-1). Based on its review of the detailed response, the Department finds that the claimed estimates of savings are reviewable, appropriate, and reliable.

Accordingly, the Department finds that no further reconciliation of the claimed savings is needed and hereby approves the savings estimates as originally filed. Therefore, no change is required in the incentives collected.

Sincerely,

James Connelly, Chairman

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